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For: ENHANCED PRODUCTION OF TAXOL AND TAXANES BY CELL CULTURES OF <i>TAXUS</i> SPECIES)	

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to the examination on the merits, please amend the above-captioned patent application as shown below. A check in the amount of \$192.00, for four (4) additional claims is enclosed. In the event any variance exists between the amount determined by the Applicants and that determined by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, please charge any such variance to the undersigned's Deposit Account No. 02-0375.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please add new claims 67-70.

67. (new) The method of claim 1, wherein the one or more nutrient media contain an antiethylene agent.